

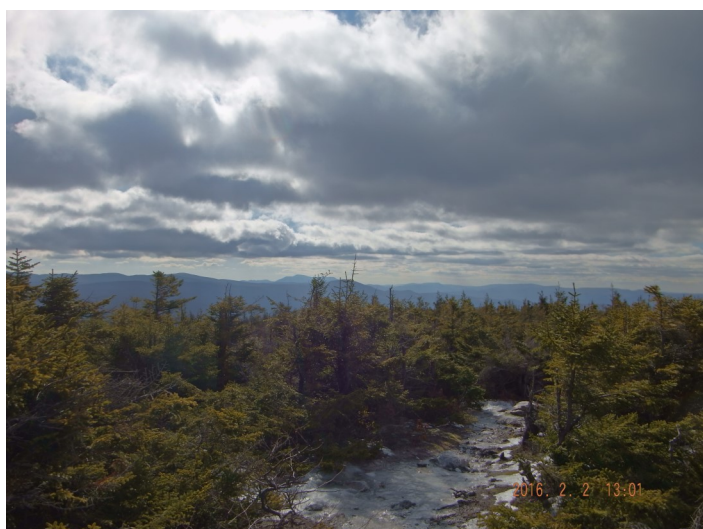


Bald Mountain Trail



Trail Highlights

The Bald Mountain trail provides a path for visitors and residents alike from Bennington and Woodford, Vermont to the National Forest and Glastenbury Wilderness. From the Bennington side, after climbing several hundred feet, hikers will reach the “white rocks” (not to be confused with the White Rocks National Recreation Area 40 miles to the north). This rocky opening on the west side of Bald Mountain provides excellent views to the west.



Trail Information

Bennington side: 4 miles one-way from trailhead to junction with West Ridge trail

2,000' elevation change

The west side of the Bald Mountain trail goes under a powerline, through a tunnel under Route 279 and then follows an old woods road before entering the Glastenbury Wilderness on the Green Mountain National Forest in approximately one mile. The trail then climbs several switch backs and reaches the white rocks in 2.8 miles. The junction with the West Ridge trail is approximately 1 mile beyond the white rocks vista. The trail is marked with blue blazes.

Woodford side: 2 miles one-way from trailhead to junction with West Ridge trail

1,580' elevation change

The east side of the Bald Mountain trail follows an old road that provides access for a few local camps and then at 0.3 miles, at the Forest Service boundary marked with red paint, turn left onto the trail. The trail climbs steadily and at 1.6 miles, the trail meets a spur trail leading to a seasonal spring at “Bear Wallow.” The trail reaches the West Ridge trail at 2 miles. The trail is marked with blue blazes.

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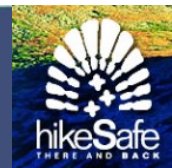
**WITH KNOWLEDGE AND GEAR.
TO LEAVE YOUR PLANS.**

TO STAY TOGETHER.

TO TURN BACK.

FOR EMERGENCIES.

TO SHARE THE HIKER CODE WITH OTHERS.



Access

Bennington Side: From Route 7/9 Junction in Bennington, head north on Route 7 for 1 mile and turn east on Kocher Drive, continue straight past traffic light and the trailhead parking lot will be just off the east side North Branch Street.

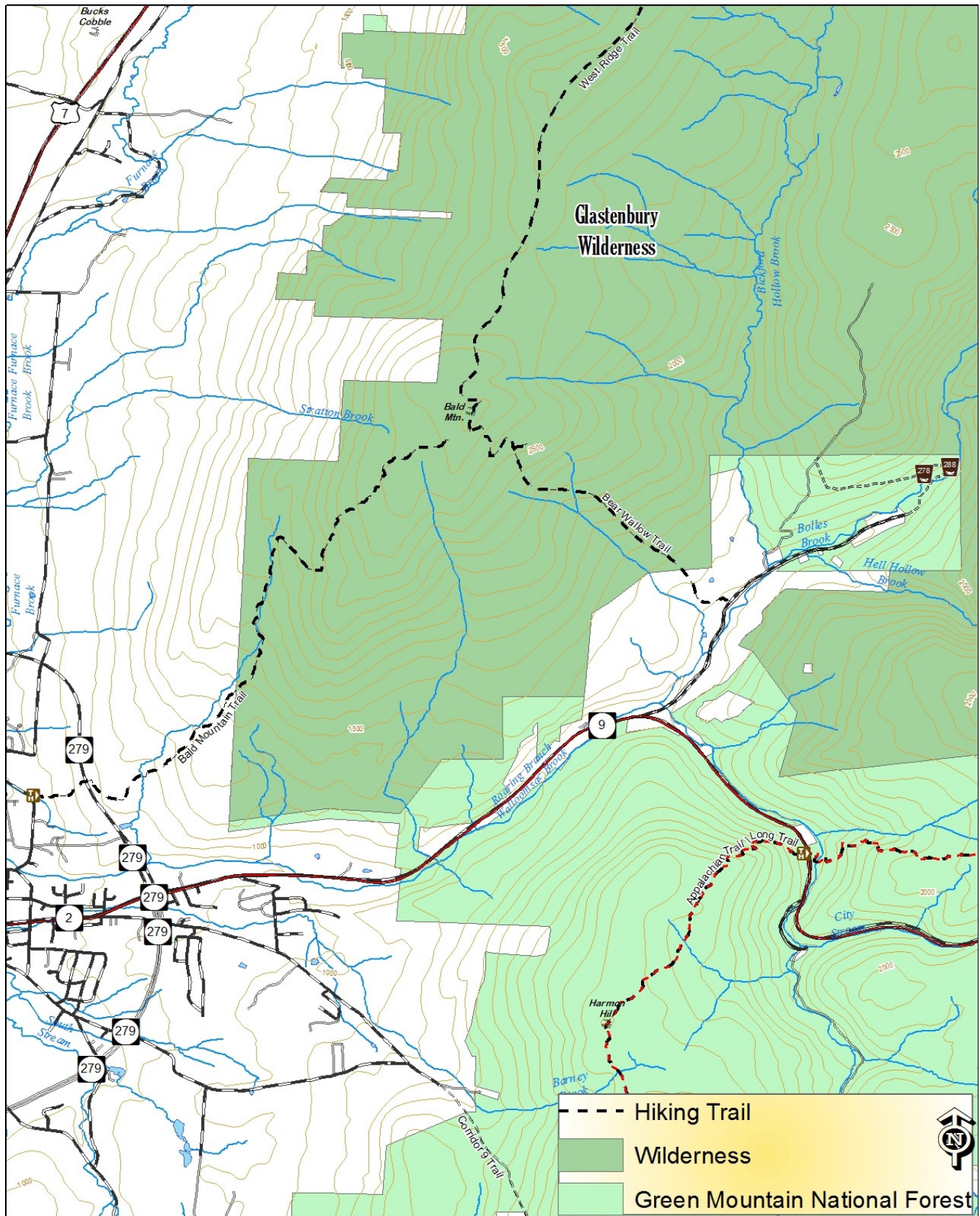
Woodford side: From Route 9 in Woodford, just west of the Appalachian/Long Trail crossing 1.2 miles, turn north on Harbour Road near the Woodford town office and continue for 0.8 miles. At a concrete water tank, turn left off the road into an open area. The trail is found at the edge of the woods.

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